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SUBJECT: BURMA: ITALY CONFIRMS SUPPORT FOR FORMAL UNSC  
MEETING AND PRST

REF: SECSTATE 139713

Classified By: A/Pol M/C Jonathan R. Cohen, for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)  
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11. (C) Poloff delivered reftel demarche October 4 to MFA  
Office Director for Southeast Asia Alberto Vecchi and Office  
Director for UN Affairs Leonardo Bencini. Poloff requested  
Italian support for a formal UN Security Council meeting on  
Burma with Special Envoy Ibrahim Gambari and for a  
Presidential Statement based upon reftel draft points.  
Bencini, confirming what MFA PolDir Giulio Terzi told us  
October 1, said Italy would support both the meeting and the  
PRST, although Bencini worried that adopting the PRST would  
be difficult, as he thought it unlikely the Council would  
reach consensus.  
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